

# Budgeting Form



## The Church of St Patrick

With Mission Churches of Holy Rosary and Lakeside

### Donor Information (please print)

Name

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Address

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City, ST Zip Code

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Phone 1 | Phone 2

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Fax | Email

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### Pledge Information

I (we) pledge a total of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to be paid: now monthly quarterly yearly.

Please make checks payable to:

The Church of St Patrick  
Holy Rosary or St. Margaret's

## **Sacrificial Giving is;**

### **Planned**

The degree of planning that goes into our Sacrificial Giving reflects the importance of our commitment to give. For most of us, unless we plan something, it doesn't happen. Unless we consciously incorporate the amount of our giving into our regular budget, it becomes an optional expense and may be lost in the financial shuffle.

Planning our giving enables us to give of the first fruits rather than some amount left over after "more important" obligations have been satisfied. The planning process itself can be a spiritual exercise, focusing our attention on our values and priorities— it is called discernment.

### **Proportionate**

How much should you give? Start with an assessment of your level of giving now. It is certainly a proportion of your resources but is it a proportion which adequately reflects your gratitude for God's generosity?

There is no magic number that represents the "right" amount. Your Sacrificial Giving pledge is your return to God of a proportion of the gifts God has given you, which you choose to share with your parish. Your decision about your level of giving will be one which makes sense and truly reflects your gratefulness to God for the gifts you have received. Whatever you decide to give place that against a 10% scale and consider giving 5% to your parish, 4% to other charities and 1% to the diocese.